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FOLLOWING IS CONFERENCE ROOM PAPER #11, DRAFT RESOLUTION
ON CENTRAL AMERICAN COMMON MARKET SUBMITTED BY COSTA RICA,
EL SALVADOR, GUATEMALA, HONDURAS AND NICARAGUA. DEPARTMENT'S
COMMENTS REQUESTED ASAP.

BEGIN QUOTE:

THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA,
TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE ADOPTION, TWENTY- ONE YEARS AGO, OF THE
FIRST
REGIONAL DECISIONS WHICH RESULTED IN THE CENTRAL AMERICAN ECONOMIC
INTEGRATION PROGRAMME, AS A DECISIVE STEP IN THE CONTINUING
EFFORTS WHICH THE FIVE CENTRAL AMERICAN COUNTRIES HAVE BEEN
MAKING SINCE THEN TO OVERCOME THE PRINCIPAL LIMITATIONS OF
UNDER- DEVELOPMENT BY A BROAD MOVEMENT TOWARDS ECONOMIC
INTEGRATION,

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THAT THE PROGRAMME CONTRIBUTED DECISIVELY TO
THE ACHIEVEMENT OF IMPORTANT GROWTH TARGETS OF THE CENTRAL
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AMERICAN ECONOMIES IN THE PRODUCTIVE SECTORS, INTRAZONAL TRADE
AND THE INFRASTRUCTURE OF THE REGION,

RECALLING RESOLUTION 9 (IV), ADOPTED AT THE FOURTH SESSION OF THE
COMMISSION, AND THE NEED TO STRENGTHEN AND INTENSIFY THE PROCESS
OF THE ECONOMIC INTEGRATION OF CENTRAL AMERICA WITH DUE REGARD FOR
THE DIFFICULTIES WHICH HAVE BESET IT IN THE RTA

PARTICULAR PRODUCTS AND, IN OTHER CASES, BY MEANS OF THE
ADOPTION OF RULES FOR A CODE OF GOOD CONDUCT CONCERNING
EXPORT PRACTICES.

6. BEGIN ALTERNATIVE A: THE INTERNATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS
TO BE NEGOTIATED SHOULD COVER PRODUCTS SUCH AS GRAINS
(WHEAT, WHEAT FLOUR AND FEED GRAINS); RICE, SUGAR AND THE
MOST HOMOGENEOUS MILK PRODUCTS (MILK POWDER AND BUTTER).

7. THE ESSENTIAL APPARATUS WOULD INVOLVE THE FIXING OF
A SCALE OF PRICES (MINIMUM PRICES AND MAXIMUM PRICES)
ACCOMPANIED BY MEASURES BEARING ON AN ADJUSTMENT OF
SUPPLY, ESSENTIALLY MEASURES FOR STOCKPILING, WHICH
FACILITATE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF FOOD AID PROGRAMS.

8. THE CODE OF GOOD CONDUCT CONCERNING EXPORT PRACTICES
FOR PRODUCTS NOT COVERED BY INTERNATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS
WOULD AIM AT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF MARKET DISCIPLINES FOR
FURNISHING SUPPLIES, THE UTILIZATION AND SCOPE OF AGREED
RULES, WHICH ARE THE SUBJECT OF CONCERTED ACTION.

9. THIS BRINGING OF ORDER TO WORLD MARKETS COULD PERMIT
THE IMPROVEMENT OF CERTAIN ELEMENTS IN IMPORT SYSTEMS.
END OF ALTERNATIVE A.

10. BEGIN ALTERNATIVE B; THE CODE OF GOOD CONDUCT IN
EXPORT PRACTICES SHOULD AIM AT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF
MARKET DISCIPLINES, THE UTILIZATION AND SCOPE OF AGREED
RULES WHICH ARE THE SUBJECT OF CONCERTED ACTION.

11. FOR PRODUCTS SUCH AS GRAINS (WHEAT WHEAT FLOUR AND
FEED GRAINS) RICE, SUGAR, AND THE MOST HOMOGENEOUS MILK
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PRODUCTS ' CANNED MILK (SIC) AND BUTTER), THE PARTNERS WOULD

SEEK THE POSSIBILITIES OF INTRODUCING A PRRE SYSTEM
(MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM) WHILE EXTENDING THE COMMO DECIPLINES
TO AN ADJUSTMENT OF SUPPLY, ESSENTIALLY MEASURES INVOLVING
STOCKS, WHICH WOULD FACILITATE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF FOOD
AID PROGRAMS.

12. THIS BRINGING OF ORDER TO WORLD MARKETS COULD PERMIT
THE IMPROVEMENT OF CERTAIN ELEMENTS IN IMPORT SYSTEMS.

13. THE TOTALITY OF THESE MEASURES SHOULD HAVE AS THEIR
OBJECTIVES THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF A REGULATED EXPANSION
IN TRADE. THE COMMUNITY FOR ITS PART, WOULD APPLY THE
INSTRUMENTS OF ITS COMMON AGRICULTURAL POLICY IN SUCH A
MANNER AS TO INSURE RESPECT FOR THE COMMITMENTS IT HAS
UNDERTAKEN. END OF ALTERNATIVE B.

14. THE PROBLEMS RAISED BY HARMONIZATION OF LEGISLATION

IN THE SANITARY AND PHYTOSANITARY FIELDS AND IN THE FIELD
OF THE DIFFERENT REGULATIONS BEARING ON THE UTILIZATION
AND PREPARATION OF PRODUCTS SHOULD ALSO BE COVERED BY
NEGOTIATION.

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